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AUTOMATIC FREQUENCY CONTROL SYSTEMS AND METHODS For: FOR JOINT DEMODULATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment before examining the present application. Applicant is filing the present Preliminary Amendment pursuant to the Revised Amendment Format instituted by the prototype Electronic File Wrapper program described in 1265 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 87 (December 17, 2002) and that has been expanded to include all Technology Centers and amendments to the specification and drawings. Thus, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for the present Preliminary Amendment.